

Global Health Engagement

Navy Environmental Preventive Medicine Units (NEPMUs) are the operational components of the Navy and Marine Corps Pubic Health Center (NMCPHC) and are critical to maximizing the readiness of Sailors and Marines worldwide. The units focus primarily on public health implementation in operational theaters, including ashore, afloat and expeditionary environments. NEPMUs support Forward Deployable Preventive Medicine Units (FDPMUs) that can quickly mobilize to provide humanitarian assistance and health service support by rapidly assessing, preventing and controlling health threats.

NEPMU-2 Located onboard Naval Station Norfolk, Norfolk, Virginia, <u>NEPMU-2</u> serves the public health needs of the Navy in the Atlantic and European regions. Recent humanitarian efforts include an assistance mission in Honduras with local hospitals and Water Step, a non-governmental organization. After conducting water tests, unit members determined that the current structure at the local government hospital did not meet potable standards. NEPMU-2 coordinated with the hospital's administrator and maintenance team to install a water system for oral rehydration, which brought safe water to the people of Honduras.

For more information contact <u>email</u> NEPMU-2.

NEPMU-5 Located onboard Naval Station San Diego, San Diego, California, <u>NEPMU-5</u> maximizes the readiness of operational forces and Navy Medical Commands within the Pacific region by providing specialized public health support. The unit staffs, trains, equips and deploys FDPMU teams in support of operational commanders worldwide. NEPMU-5's FDPMUs deliver highly trained health professionals and state-of-the-art field portable analytical and diagnostic capabilities to address the needs of evolving contingencies. Capabilities include analysis and rapid health hazard assessments of disease vectors, infectious and communicable diseases, and occupational and environmental health threats.

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NEPMU-6 Located onboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickham, Honolulu, Hawaii, <u>NEPMU-6</u> maximizes the mission readiness of operational forces in the Pacific theater by providing specialized public health services that enhance force health protection. Recently in the wake of Typhoon Yolanda, a preventive medicine team from the unit deployed to the Philippines to support operational forces working in hard-hit central Philippine provinces. In a tropical country like the Philippines, potentially deadly infections like malaria and dengue fever are a constant threat. NEPMU-6 efforts helped operational forces avoid illness, allowing them to provide uninterrupted, effective support to the people of the Philippines recovering from Typhoon Yolanda. For more information contact email NEPMU-6.

NEPMU-7 Located onboard Naval Station Rota Spain, <u>NEPMU-7</u> has been re-established and will provide a comprehensive range of public health services supporting EUCOM and AFRICOM mission requirements. Continuing development of the new National Maritime strategies for preventing wars through humanitarian assistance operations have spurred a dramatic increase in Navy and Marine Corps small unit deployments into developing African nations. NEPMU-7 is currently on track to lunch operational capabilities in summer 2014. *For more information contact email NEPMU-7*.

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